Planning for new/restructured schemes to subserve the objectives of the National Common Minimum Programme. Crucial programmes like Nutritional Support to Primary Education (MDM) and Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan will be accorded priority while allocation from this lumpsum provision is finalised by Planning Commission.

Loans advanced by Banks

2158. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased state:

(a) the details of new branches opened by nationalised banks and private banks in rural sector during the last three years;

(b) what is the amount of credit advanced by banks in the rural sector during the last three years; and

(c) the details of various heads under which loans have been advanced by banks during the last three years, *viz* personal loan, housing loan and loan advance for productive purposes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) RBI has reported that 497,815 and 771 branches were opened by the public and private sector banks during the years 2001-02,2002-03 and 2003-04 respectively.

(b) As reported by RBI, the credit advanced by the Scheduled Commercial Banks by their rural and semi-urban branches during the last three years are given below:

(Rs. in crore)

Period		Credit by Semi-urban branches (outstanding)	Credit by Rural branches (outstanding)
As on March 31	2002	73355	65700
As on March 31	2003	84684	74776
As on March 31	2004	101354	85244

(c) Details of credit given under various heads/occupations during the last three years both by the public sector banks and private sector banks are given in the Statement (See below).

Statement

Details of credit given under venous heeds during the last three yeers both by the public sector banks and private sector banks.

(Amount Rs. in Lakh)

Occupation	2001 Public Sector Banks	Private Sector Banks	2002 Public Sector Banks	Private Sector Banks	2003 Public Sector Banks	Private Sector Banks
1. Agriculture	4105490	274490	5148027	356342	5999222	462475
II. Industry	17670382	3236207	17767126	6764214	19962170	8474936
III. Transport Operation	616767	103813	604125	191471	621248	217527
IV. Professional and other services	1145250	578957	1367331	997227	1798774	1098548
V. Personal Loans	4755157	638808	5946715	724420	8081319	1174281
1. Loans for purchase of consumer durables	246328	30979	215519	27008	183792	29094
2. Loans for Housing	2066342	191231	2660660	217257	4002911	343735
3. Rest of the Personal Loans	2442486	416599	3070536	480155	3894616	801452
VI. Trade	7496435	961695	8714203	1011929	8760525	1205602
VII. Finance	1616586	687170	2524845	809110	3647038	926612
VIII. All Others	3136953	648517	5322691	647334	4772611	769082